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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re application of:

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Application No.: 08/838,486

Filed: April 7, 1997

For: METHODS FOR THE DIAGNOSIS
AND TREATMENT OF DIABETES

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 8923

Examiner: Gerald R. Ewoldt

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WITHDRAWAL OF APPEAL

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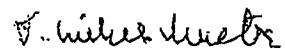
Applicants request that that the Appeal pending for the above-identified application be withdrawn. The instant application has been refiled as a continuation application, US Application No. 12/043,006.

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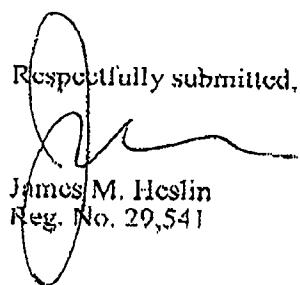
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This request for withdrawal of the Appeal is being made in accordance with 37
C.F.R. § 1.138.

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